

Information for File # 2005-1536-TJF

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Location: Approximately 3 mile-long segment that crosses Sections 7, 8 and 9, T120N, R23W, east of St. Michael.

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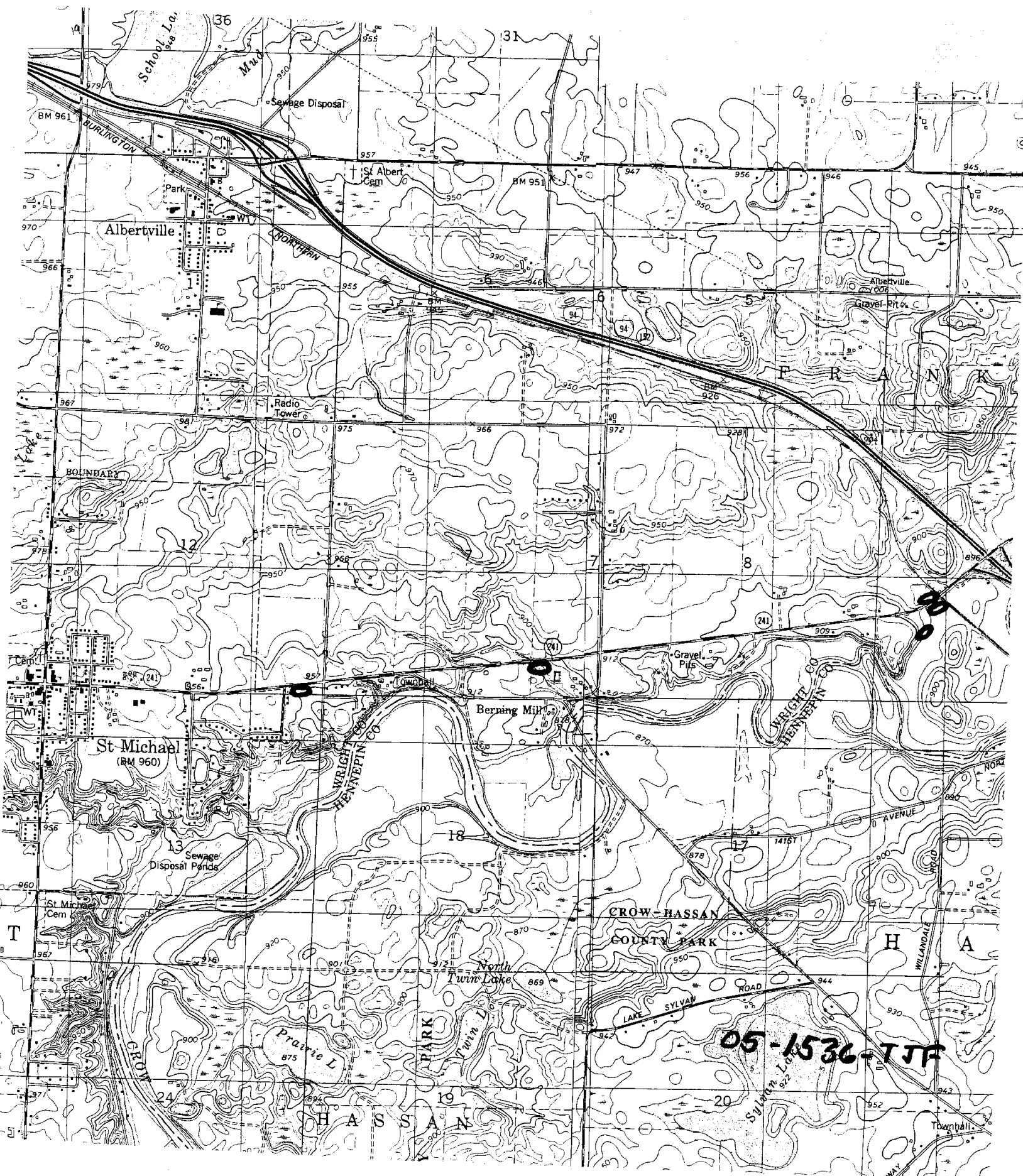
Authorization Type: Section 404 Letter of Permission

Project: The project involves a reconstruction of a 3.3-mile long segment of Trunk Highway 241 between St. Michael and I-94. Generally the roadway would be upgraded from an existing 2-lane road into a 4-lane roadway. Turn lanes would be provided and a pedestrian would be built along the north side of the road (no wetland impacts are proposed for the trail). Currently the rural section of the road consists of two 12-foot driving lanes and 10-foot paved shoulders; the urban segments have two 12-foot driving lanes and 14-foot shoulders and turn lanes. The proposed rural sections would have 4 lanes, a 12-foot center left turn lane and 10-foot shoulders. The urban section would have 4 lanes, a 12-foot center left turn lane, 14-foot shoulders and curb and gutters.

It is estimated that wetland encroachment would occur at 5 locations along the 3.3-mile long segment. The total impact would be about 0.66 acre, with the dominant vegetation listed as reed canary grass, willows, cattails and sedges. Some of the impact areas are adjacent or tributary to the Crow River, which meanders immediately south of the roadway.

Mitigation/replacement for the project impacts would be accomplished by debiting wetland mitigation bank credits from the Zenner Wetland Bank in Stearns County. This bank is located in Section 28, T123N, R34W; and is in the North Fork Crow River watershed. A total of 1.32 acres of credit would be debited from this bank (0.66 new wetland credit and 0.66 acre of public value credit)

Drawings See attached.



WETLAND #3

WETLAND #2

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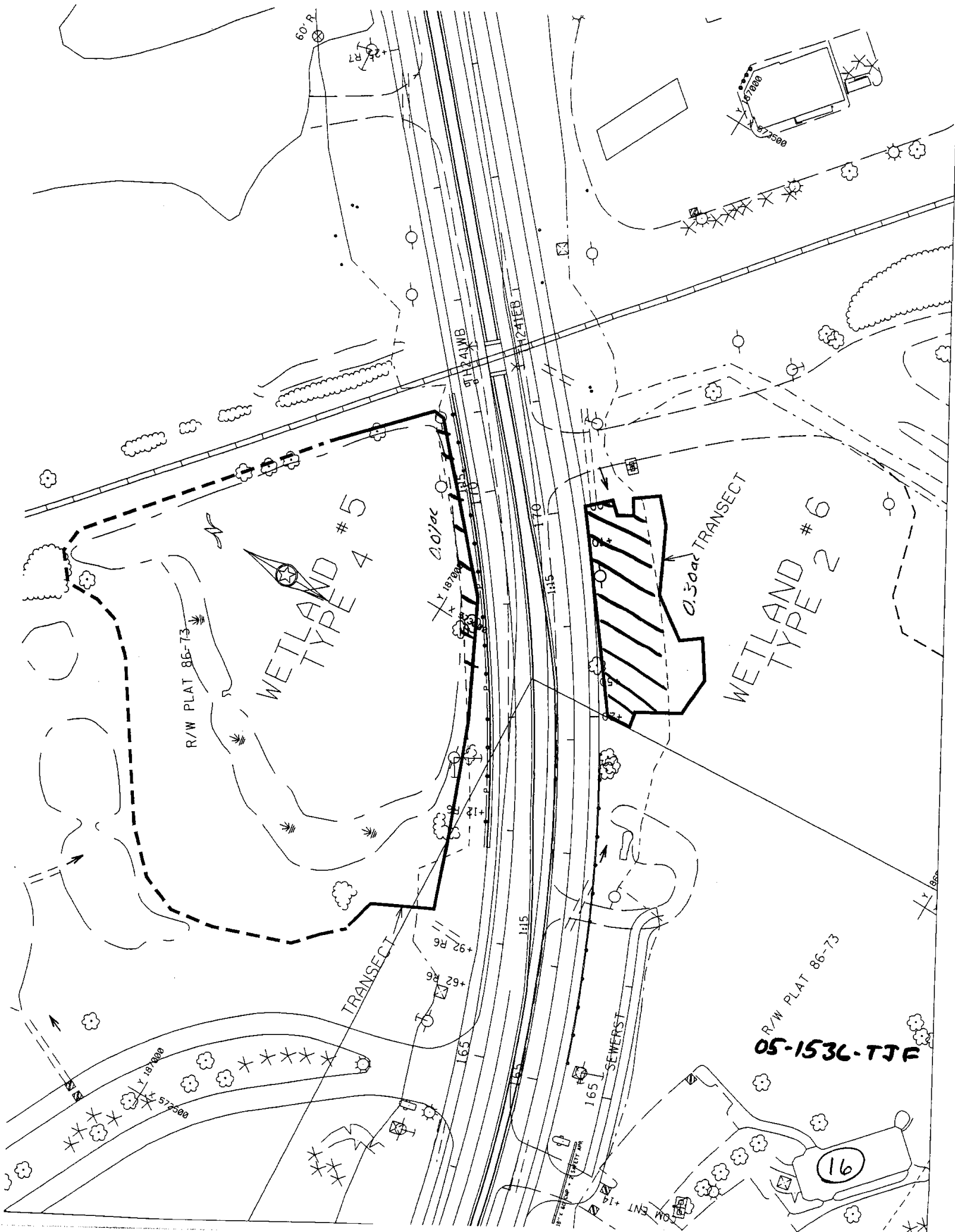
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